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AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

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METHODS OF DIAGNOSING, PREVENTING, AND TREATING EARLY ONSET OF PULMONARY HYPERTENSION

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Early onset of pulmonary disorders such as pulmonary hypertension are treated or prevented by administration of an apoptosis inhibitor or a survival factor. Early onset of such disorders may be diagnosed by assessing apoptosis in lung tissue.